



## Nancy S. Johnson

June 10, 1930 - January 20, 2016

Nancy S. Johnson of Mesick passed away Wednesday, January 20, 2016 at Munson Medical Center in Traverse City. She was 85.

Nancy was born June 10, 1930 in Frankfort, Ohio to James R. and Elizabeth (Fisher) Abernathy and they preceded her in death.

She was a longtime resident of Mesick and owned and operated Johnson's Canoe Rental with her husband for many years there. They were also trapping partners in the winter, operating a fur buying business. Nancy was a member of Mesick Women's Club and Mesick Methodist Church. She loved spending time with her grandchildren and having them all over to swim. Over the years she taught many children how to swim. Nancy enjoyed traveling with her sisters and spending time outdoors.

On December 13, 1947 in Greenup, Kentucky she married Paul L. Johnson and he survives her along with their children: C. Larry (Peggy) Johnson of Mesick, Robert W. (Christine) Johnson of Lake Ann, Patty S. (James) Casselman of Mesick; grandchildren: Charles (Katie) Boyer, Tom (Jennifer) Johnson, Scott (Serena) Johnson, Jennifer (Donald) Flohe-Payne, Jeremy (Katie) Casselman, Carrie Casselman, Kallie Casselman and Joshua (Jennifer) Johnson; 15 great-grandchildren; siblings: Barbara Wilhide, Joe (Judy) Abernathy, Jean Lane all of Ohio and many nieces and nephews.

Nancy was preceded in death by a daughter, Debby K. Johnson; a grandson, Kenneth Casselman and siblings: Jim, Jr., David and Charles Abernathy. Memorial services will be held 11:00 a.m. Saturday, January 23, 2016 at Mesick Methodist Church with Pastor Bev Williams officiating. Friends may meet the family one hour prior to the service at the church. Her final resting place will be Antioch Township Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Wexford Council on Aging or Mesick Methodist Church. An online guestbook is available at [www.petersonfh.com](http://www.petersonfh.com).

# Tribute Wall

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“ We’  
*ll all miss grandma more than words can say. She was one of the kindest, selfless, & warmest people I’  
ve ever had the privilege to know! After their daughter’  
s untimely death, her & Paul adopted & raised their grandson(my husband), Josh, beginning when he was a just a toddler. Grandma was his Mom & that’  
s how I was introduced to her. I couldn’  
t have asked for a better mother-in-law & I’  
m grateful for their kindness & for raising such a wonderful man. I’  
ll be eternally thankful to her for giving me all of the ingredients that she provided for me to have such a beautiful family!! We love you & miss you, & I solemnly promise to take care of Josh & the kids as you wished. I will forever hold on to the advice & love that you shared with me. Until we meet again....*

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**Jenny Johnson** - January 24, 2016 at 01:44 PM

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“ So sorry for your loss. Let God replace your grief with hope - your anguish with peace. Treasure your precious memories of Nancy. May the prospect of seeing your beloved Nancy again, give you hope and bring you peace, for God has promised, "  
*Your Dead Will Live. Awake and shout joyfully, You Residents In The Dust!...*"  
*(Isaiah 26:19) With deepest sympathies.*

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**Joyce Brooks** - January 22, 2016 at 10:54 PM